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MISS TEMPEST WARD
As a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Rockcastle subject to the action of the Republican party, August Primary, 1913.

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W. M. SOWDER
As a candidate for Magistrate First Magisterial District, composed of E. B. Vernon and Walnut Grove voting precincts, subject to the action of the Republican party general primary election, August 5, 1913.

REPRESENTATIVE

We are authorized to announce

L. P. THOMPSON
As a candidate for Representative from the 70th Legislative District, composed of the Counties of Laurel and Rockcastle, subject to the action of the Republican party, August 5, 1913.

THERE are two of the relatives of Daniel Boone living in this county. William R. Boone of Cedarville, in Southern part of Rockcastle and his cousin Mrs. T. B. Chandler, of Bromo, South Western portion of the county. Mr. Boone's grand father Thos. Boone was a brother of the great pioneer. William came to Rockcastle from Weatherford county North Carolina in 1822. Daniel was a great great uncle of Mrs. T. B. Chandler, who is also a native of the tar heel state and has been living in this county some twenty odd years.

LOUISVILLE, claiming to be a city is up against the craze for side walks and streets, and there is a howl going up demanding ordinances prohibiting the use of side walks and streets for skating purposes. This is more evidence of the slow poke easy pace that Louisville is known to pursue. Our little town past such an ordinance as soon as pavements were put down. Push carts, wheel-barrows and horses we are told are not allowed to monopolize the side walks though skaters and billy goats may "scoot" and roam thereon at will.

SINCE Mt. Vernon started the movement looking to the construction of Boone Way many of our state papers are publishing matters of interest in connection with the old pioneer. The latest is by the Louisville Times of last Saturday, April 19th, in which is pictured a beech tree located in Iroquois park on which appears the inscription "D. Boone 1803", supposed to have been made by a deer hunter while back on a trip from Missouri. The Boone tree is a giant beech.

THE Lincoln County National Bank, of Stanford in its splendid calendars in addition to a map of the county shows the old and new court houses and two views of their bank building, have traced out the route of the "Old Wilderness Road" from Crab Orchard through Stanford to the Danville pike to North West border of the county.

MAT B. SEWELL will be the next candidate to be elected to the Kentucky Legislature to represent the seventieth district.

Statistics of Rockcastle County from 1812 to 1878.

By JAMES MARET.

Members of the Legislature. The first Senator from the county was Gen'l William Smith from 1834 to 1838 followed by John A. Moore 1841; James S. Henderson '45 to '48; Milton J. Cook '63 '67, (father of Jarvis J. Cook and Mrs. G. M. Ballard). House of Representatives. John Dysart was the first representative from the county 1814; William Carson 1816, '26; Gen'l William Smith, great grand father of Alvah Maret and great grand father of W. J. Newcomb and great great grand parent of Will H. Fish, junior member of the clothing house at the "sign of the Fish" in Masonic building, this place, served more terms in the legislature than any other person from our county, beginning as a representative in 1817 continuing until and including 1829, then in the Senate from 1834 and '38. Uriah Gresham, house representatives, 1824, '39 John H. Slaughter 1825; Chas. Collier, 1830, '33 '40; Elisha Smith 1831, '32, '42, '43, '45; his father Gen'l Smith was in Senate during two of his sons, Elisha's terms of service. John A. Moore 1834, the lawyer who prosecuted Johnathan Davidson, the first man legal y executed in Rockcastle county on charge of the murder of Henry Langford whom he killed by stabbing to the heart on street, between what is now the business houses of J. Fish & Son and U. G. Baker, Main and Second streets, Mt. Vernon. J. L. Joplin, now of Harrodsburg was a witness in the case. The execution took place just West of town at a point about where the house of Emmett Sowder stands. In a speech made by the doomed man, just before the fatal hour, he uttered a curse against Moore and his family saying the prosecutor had bounded a justified man into the grave and stating further "You caused this killing by your dirty work before the murder and afterward prosecuting and persecuting me. You nor any of your family will ever be a success at anything. You have brought me to the gallows. You and yours shall suffer and before many years disappear from the face of the earth". It is said the prophecy was fulfilled. Henry Owens, of Lincoln county for Laurel, Lincoln and Rockcastle 1829, '31. Henry S. Langford from Rockcastle, 1836, '37. William H. Kirtley, 1841, father of Wm. Poynter and Mrs. D. C. Poynter and a brother of Charles Kirtley a well known lawyer in his day. William B. Moore 1847; Johnathan S. Langford 1849; Milton J. Cook, 1855, (the year the riter was born) '57, '59, '61; Johnathan Nercobin, a brother of the late Milton P. Newcomb and the latter of Mrs. Dr. S. W. Brown now living at Houston Tex and Mrs. Capt. G. W. Roberts of Louisville, 1857, '59; E. B. Batcheller, 1861, '63; From Laurel and Rockcastle, John J. Haley 1851 '53, an uncle of C. C. Williams and Mrs. Cleo Brown. From Rockcastle, Wm. A. Brooks 1863, 1863 '65, was the father of W. T. Joe, James and McClellan Brooks, and lived in the house at South & Second street, now owned and occupied by W. A. B. Davis who has been elected twice in late years as a representative from Rockcastle Laurel, the seventieth legislative district; John K. McClary, 1867 '69, a well known practicing lawyer and farmer the father of Will and Majorie McClary. R. D. Cook 1871 '73, lived near Conway and died some twenty years ago. From Lincoln and Rockcastle counties, John Withers 1812; From Rockcastle, P. Gresham 1873 '72 lived at Livingston and conducted the Gresham hotel across the river in Laurel county until that county voted prohibition. Gresham to continue his tavern license got a special bill put thru the legislature changing the county line from the river into Laurel running so as to take into Rockcastle county all that portion lying in the big bend of the river putting his tavern into the latter county and that territory so remains today within the bounds of this county. Mr. Gresham married Miss Tabitha Ward, daughter of Reece Ward and a

brother of the late Samuel Ward, John M. Fish, 1875 '77, a farmer and once County Judge and lived at Buckeye, was the father of Hiram, John B., Geo. C., Fish and Mrs. Mollie McClary. This brings the legislative statics up to 1877 the year the riter located in Mt. Vernon.

Rockcastle county, the 52nd, established in the State was found in 1816, out of parts of Lincoln, Pulaski, Madison and Knox counties, named after Rockcastle River which forms its South east border.

The latitude of Mt. Vernon is 37 degrees 19 minutes, and longitude 7 degrees 12 minutes from Washington. The population of county, 1810, when county is formed 1,731. 1820, 2,249; 1830, 2,865; 1840, 3,909; 1850, 4,697; 1860, 4,343 1870, 7,145. In next forty years the population doubled and census of 1910 should 14,473. In the year 1840 there were 377 slaves in the county 375 in 1850; 357 in 1860 and 40 free colored persons, and 1870 shows a free colored population 369. It is believed today that they number less than 100 in the county limits.

Valuation of taxable property 1846, \$518,876. In 1870, 1,033,551; land valued at \$2.19 per acre in 1846 and \$4.00 in 1870. There was 12,940 pounds tobacco raised in the county in 1870, in the same year the lists showed 1653 horses, 196 mules, 4,644 cattle 3358 hogs over six months old, 746 tons of hay, 208,875 bushels corn and 9,354 bushels wheat.

The population of town of Mt. Vernon in 1830 was 142; 1840; 209; 1850 not enumerated in 1860 it had fallen to 156; 1860 places it at 252. Census of 1900, thirty years later shows the number to be 422. The next decade, 1910, placed the population at 930, doubling within ten years.

A future article will deal with that period between 1877 to 1913

TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY.

London, Ky., Apr. 22nd, 1913.

Elsewhere in the columns of the Signal will appear my announcement as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Representative from the Seventieth Legislative District, composed of the counties of Laurel and Rockcastle. Under the agreement now existing between the two counties, it is Laurel's time to send a man to the General Assembly however, the new Primary law will allow the voters of Rockcastle to assist in selecting the nominee in the Primary, as well as, to vote in the final election, and I shall appreciate your support.

I was born in Rockcastle county and raised in Laurel; am a Repub-

lican by choice; have contributed my time and means toward the success of the Grand old Party in every election since I became a voter and have been unswerving in my loyalty to party principles and nominees.

I desire to say to my friends and to the good people of Rockcastle that I shall endeavor, if nominated and elected, to serve the best interests of the entire people of my district; in matters political, standing for Republican measures and Republican principles; non political, for any method of advancements for my District and its people.

I hope to have an opportunity to meet and talk with most of you before the Primary, but, whether I do or not, I shall be glad to have your support and promise, if elected, to put forth my best, as your Representative, in an effort to reflect credit upon my District, my people and myself as a member of the next Kentucky General Assembly.

L. P. THOMPSON.

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JOHN W. HILTON,
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